

Dracut Historical Commission Meeting Minutes Wednesday, March 16, 2016

Present: Dave Paquin, Chairman

Bob Kohanski, Asst. Chairman

Harvey Gagnon

Louise Tremblay

Linda Kawa

Marc Gosselin

D. Paquin
Bob Kohanski
Harvey Gagnon
Louise Tremblay
Linda Kawa

Also in attendance Betsy Ware, Community Developer

Minutes:

Chairman Paquin called the meeting to order at 7:10pm, at the Historic Building, 1660 Lakeview Ave. The minutes of the February 18, 2016 passed on a motion by of Ms. Tremblay, seconded by Mr. Kochanski, Motion passed.

Community Input

None

Review of Commission Website:

Betsy Ware explained to the board she is working on the website. She would like to have the Mission Statement that explains the purpose of the Historical Commission. Also she would like to add links to various organizations that explain the education of Dracut's Historic Buildings. Ms. Ware asked the board to look it over and let her know if they want to add anything else.

Ms. Ware explained she is also working on a draft copy for a Preservation Tool Kit for a demolition delay bylaw.

Historical Survey Grant:

Ms. Ware explained to the board that she received notification from Mass Historical Commission, that the grant she applied for on behalf of the Historic Commission for \$15,000.00 dollars has been awarded. This award will support the Town of Dracut's Historic and Architectural resource inventory Project.

Ms. Ware explained that the CPC has voted to approve an article for \$30,000.00 (all funds have to be put upfront) in matching funds for the June Town Meeting. On the condition that the \$15,000.00 will come back to CPC when the project is complete.

Mark Gosselin made a motion to accept the grant money that has been offered by Mass Historical along with the matching CPC funds. Robert Kochanski, seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Ware explained she has drafted up a preservation tool kit

Beaver Brook Farm:

Ms. Ware passed out a draft copy of the Conditions Assessments for Beaver Brook Farm. Ms. Ware explained that Brian Pfeiffer is completing his review on the building and grounds and the committee is waiting on his final report.

Communications:

Chairperson Paquin stated he just revived and opened the survey grant award letter tonight. It will be kept in the records.

New Business:

Chairperson Paquin explained that he just received a request for a demolition for 1962 Lakeview Ave. It was too late to get it on the Agenda, so he would like to have the board members check it out and get back to him.

Old Business:

Chairperson Paquin explained that the Annual Report has the ending expiration dates wrong. Ms. Ware stated she will look into this.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report was read along with the following bills which were paid by the Treasurer:

February - DWSD \$ 30.87

March

Gas \$261.28

Electric \$380.76

Ms.Tremblay made a motion to approve payment of these invoices. This was seconded by Linda Kawa Motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at 7pm

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm on a motion of Ms. Tremblay and seconded by Mr.Gagnon.

Respectfully Submitted,
Marylee Enos, Recording Secretary

